



Stanford  
Law School

2015  
FISCAL YEAR SUMMARY

9.1.2014 - 8.31.2015

Not just law. Stanford Law.



## Letter from the Dean

It is a pleasure to share the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year Summary. More than 3,200 alumni, parents, and friends made Stanford Law School a philanthropic priority last year. These gifts supported our distinguished faculty, provided invaluable financial aid for our students, advanced our academic programs, and helped expand our reach around the globe.

Continued generosity of our alumni and friends allows us to attract a new generation of elite scholars and teachers. Over the last three years, we have hired 14 new faculty members. Each of them comes to us with deep expertise and a commitment to teaching and mentoring our students. Collectively, they represent the future of teaching at Stanford, and in legal education, and build on the strength of our faculty.

Philanthropic support also provides new ways to enrich our curriculum. Students at SLS today take advantage of our world-class clinics, interdisciplinary policy practicums, and new classes focused on the global practice of law. Our Global Law Initiative includes a new, foundational course on global legal practice, intensive overseas studies trips, and further integration of transnational law into core courses.

None of this would be possible without our alumni and friends. Thanks to philanthropic support, we are also able to make a Stanford Law School education available to *all* qualified students, regardless of their financial need. Our generous financial aid assures that we attract the very best students to Stanford, and they help make us who we are.

*Thank you* for your confidence in and dedication to Stanford Law School.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in green ink that reads "M. Elizabeth Magill". The signature is fluid and cursive.

M. Elizabeth Magill

Richard E. Lang Professor of Law and Dean

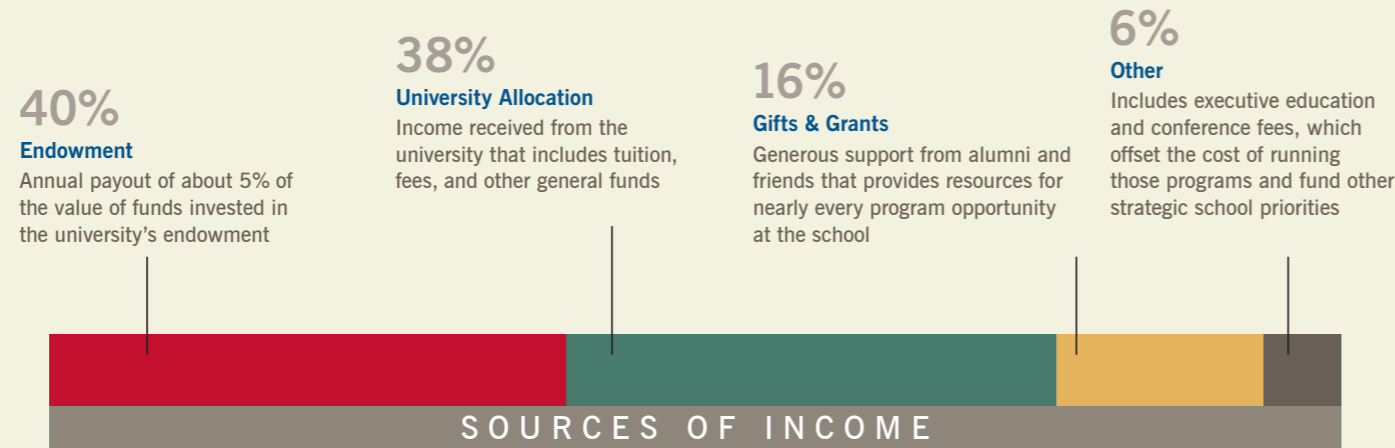


*“I give because Stanford Law School has opened doors for me and has given me the confidence and the credibility to take on whatever legal or professional challenge has come my way. My Stanford Law degree is the ‘gift that keeps on giving.’ I am proud every day to be a Stanford lawyer, and I have been so for 40 years. That’s why I give.”*

Fred W. Alvarez  
BA '72, JD '75

## Financial Overview

Gifts from alumni, parents, and friends provide a critical source of income each year for Stanford Law School. These gifts make it possible to support innovative teaching and research, robust financial aid programs, new curricular initiatives, student services, and operations at the school.



Total Dollars Raised

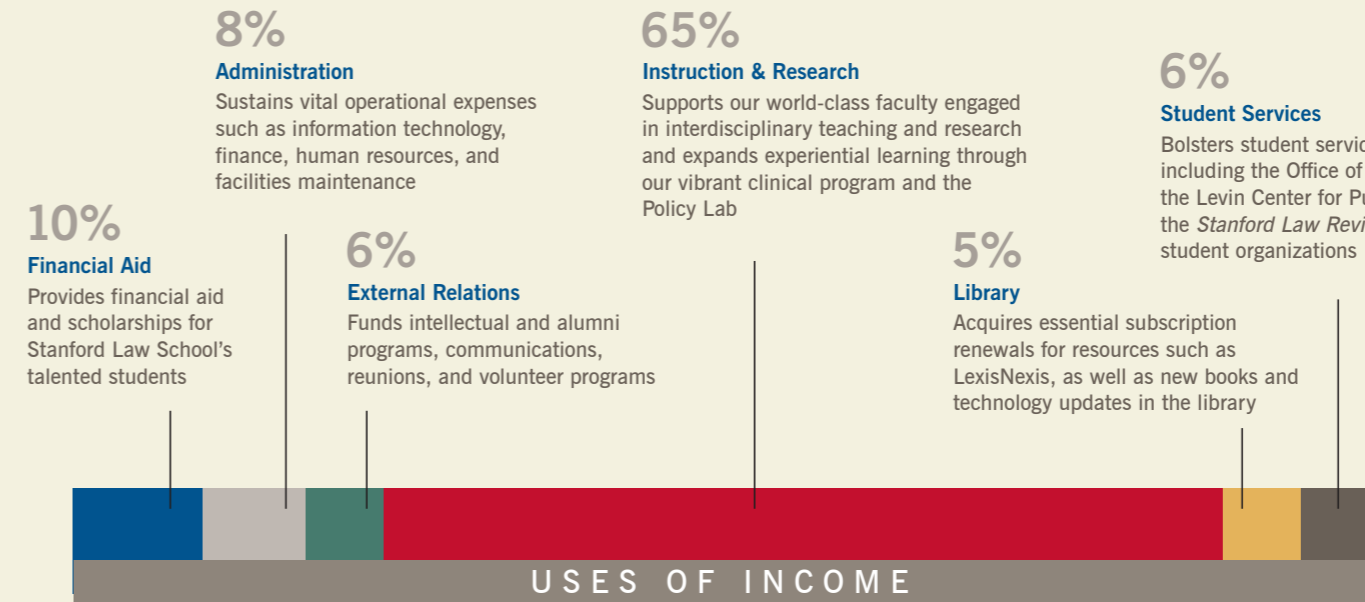
**\$23,875,798\***

\* This figure includes both outright gifts and multi-year pledges committed during fiscal year 2015. Accordingly, "Total Dollars Raised" (\$23,875,798) will be more than "Gifts & Grants" (\$12,859,294) since the latter reflects only contributions used in fiscal year 2015.



*“I never thought I’d have such organic relationships with professors, not because of any savant-like capabilities or ambition to build my network but simply because they are wonderful people who care about their students. Giving back ensures Stanford can continue to give its students a uniquely wonderful beginning to their legal careers.”*

Amari Hammonds  
JD '17



Total Law School Budget

**\$78,835,698**



*“I make Stanford Law School a philanthropic priority because I had an amazing three years at the school. I want to help ensure that students today can have the same level of opportunity, support, and experiences that I had.”*

Yina Dong  
JD '10

## The Law Fund

The collective support of donors each year gives Stanford Law School the ability to meet its most pressing needs. Unrestricted gifts to the Law Fund, in particular, also give the school the agility to seize new opportunities. You help us:

**Strengthen the Student Experience**  
The student experience, both inside and outside of the classroom, is enhanced through your support.

**Launch New Programs**  
The Law Fund provides seed funding to position the school to be on the forefront of legal education.

**Enhance Experiential Learning**  
SLS students have the opportunity for hands-on learning through clinics and the Policy Lab.

**Provide Financial Aid**  
A strong financial aid program makes it possible for our talented students to receive an SLS education.

**Recruit and Retain Top Faculty**  
Our diverse and talented faculty defines Stanford as a leader in legal education.

Total Law Fund dollars raised in fiscal year 2015

# \$4.4 million

SLS organized **148** alumni programs across 29 markets in 10 countries on 4 continents

The average gift made to the Law Fund was

# \$1,658

Gifts of \$100 or less totaled

# \$52,341

Support from alumni and friends allowed students to participate in more than

# 20

policymaking practicums

# 174

alumni and students made their first gift or pledge payment to the law school

# 80%

of students received financial aid



# 3,262

donors contributed to SLS





*“I’ve benefited from the law school’s generous alumni and friends, both as a student and now as a faculty member. What was already an excellent legal education is now even more dynamic, drawing upon a wide array of interdisciplinary programs, hands-on experiential learning through the clinics and policy lab, and a more globally focused curriculum. But what continues to set SLS apart is a deep commitment to innovative teaching and research. I count myself lucky to be a part of this faculty and to have the opportunity to interact with such amazing students.”*

Nora Freeman Engstrom  
JD '02  
Professor of Law and  
Deane F. Johnson Faculty Scholar



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